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In re application of: Chang Ho Choi Serial No: 10/619,368

Filed: July 11, 2003

For:

MOBILE COMMUNICATION-BASED REMOTE

METER READING SYSTEM AND METHOD

TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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	Enclosed is a search report for a counterpart application. The search report Examiner
	has provided comments on the relevancy of any non-English language references cited in the search report.
•	The specification incorporates comments on the relevancy of Non-English language references.
	Set forth below are comments provided by the applicant's home country counsel on the relevancy of non-English language references:
2.	The information disclosure statement submitted herewith is being filed within three months of the filing date of the national application other than a continued prosecution application (CPA) or date of entry into the national stage of an international application or before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, or before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 1.114 whichever event occurs last. 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b) (as amended September 2000).
3.	The information disclosure statement transmitted herewith is being filed <i>after</i> three months of the filing date of this national application or the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in § 1.491 in an international application or after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, whichever event occurred last but <i>before</i> the mailing date of either: 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) (as amended September 2000).

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the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the statement. 37 C.F.R.

6. If it should be determined that for any reason either an insufficient fee or an excessive fee has been paid, please charge any insufficiency or credit any overpayment necessary to ensure consideration of the information disclosure statement for the above-identified application to Deposit Account No. 502290. A copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee, Hong, Degerman, Kang & Schmadeka

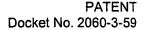
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